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Paul Dabbs
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Dear Mr. Dabbs,

According to The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) Public Review Draft of California's Water Plan (Plan) for the next twenty-five years, it predicts that there will be a one-third increase in California's population and provides for the needed population increase usage of water by decreasing agriculture's available water by ten percent.

The Riverside County Farm Bureau (RCFB) is against any decrease in supply of water for agriculture use. Any decrease in water supply goes against RCFB's policy.

If the Plan's predictions are correct, how do they plan to feed 12 million people that will be moving to California? The Plan, as written, would result in a net import of food resulting in national security risks, food safety risks, and extreme competition for food worldwide.

Agriculture Code 411 mandates that the Water Plan must provide for an adequate farm water supply so that there will be no reliance on a net importation of food. The Plan ignores this mandate.

The Plan is not credible. The plan would result in a serious future food shortage not only in California, but worldwide. The RCFB encourages you to consider California's gift to the entire world - the gift of producing top quality food and fiber. We can only produce our farm products with an adequate water supply.

Sincerely,

Cindy Domenigoni
President

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